

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

Plaintiff,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION; and BETSY DEVOS, in her
official capacity as Secretary of the United States
Department of Education,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:20-cv-11600-LTS

FARAH NOERAND,

Plaintiff,

v.

BETSY DEVOS, in her official capacity as
Secretary of the United States Department of
Education, and THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:20-cv-11271-LTS

JOINT STATUS REPORT AND PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Pursuant to the Court's order of September 3, 2020, in the above-captioned cases, respectively, the parties submit this joint status report proposing a schedule for further proceedings in these cases.

Due to the similarity of the issues that the two cases present, in order to avoid duplicative and unnecessary briefing in these matters, and in the interest in judicial economy, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Farah Noerand, and the defendants in both matters hereby agree and propose that:

1. Defendants will answer the complaints in both cases by November 23, 2020.
2. Defendants will file an administrative record in both cases by December 4, 2020.
3. By January 4, 2020, the parties will file a status report to propose a schedule for disposition of the case.

Date: October 5, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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